

Lake Point City Council Business Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2026

Place: Lake Point Fire Station 1528 Sunset Rd Lake Point, UT 84074

Time: 6:00 PM

1. Opening Formalities

- A. Call to Order- 6:01 pm
- B. Prayer- Doyle Garrard
- C. Pledge of Allegiance- Buck Peck
- D. Presiding Officer- Kathleen VonHatten
- E. Attendance Roll Call-

Lake Point Council & Staff (C=Council)	Public	Public
Kathleen VonHatten (Chair)	Chief Kevin Nunn	
Kirk Pearson (Vice Chair)	Fire Marshal Buck Peck	
Kirk Trimble (C.)		
Ryan Zumwalt (C.)		
Lori Chigbrow (C.)		
Jamie Olson (RCDR)		
Jay Springer (Attorney) left the meeting at 7:08 pm	Doyle Garrard (Treasurer)	

2. Legal Training/Clarification

- A. City Attorney Jay Springer reported there was no formal legal training

3. Staff Updates

- A. Recorder Olson reported no staff updates and Council posed no questions

4. Public Comment (2:48 recording)

- A. Motion - Lori to open public comment. Kathleen 2nd
 - i) Vote was unanimously approved
- B. Kevin Nunn
 - i) Chief Nunn provided an update regarding the City's ongoing wildfire mitigation efforts and Firewise program. He commended Lake Point residents for becoming the first community within the North Tooele Fire District to actively organize Firewise neighborhood efforts and stated that recent community meetings had been productive despite initial concerns from residents. He reported that volunteers would be meeting to develop resource lists and conduct community cleanup efforts, including mowing vegetation and addressing wildfire hazards.
 - ii) Chief Nunn emphasized that the Firewise program is intended to be community-driven rather than city-led, with multiple neighborhood Firewise groups expected to form throughout Lake Point. Kathleen sought clarification regarding the program's structure, and Chief Nunn explained that individual neighborhoods would establish their own Firewise committees rather than operating under a single citywide organization.
 - iii) Lori suggested that, as neighborhood groups become established, an overarching coordinating committee may help provide continuity, communication, and long-term success similar to neighborhood watch programs. Chief Nunn agreed that the concept could be explored as the program develops.
- C. Motion - Kathleen to close public comment. Pearson 2nd
 - i) Motion passed unanimously

5. Approve the Minutes- (7:08 recording)

- A. 2026 06.10

- B. Motion - Pearson to approve the minutes 06 10.2026. Trimble 2nd
 - i) Motion passed unanimously

6. Reports/Presentations

- A. Treasurer Report/Budget Summary (7:39 recording)
 - i) Doyle reported the city was in good financial condition and on track through the end of the fiscal year.
 - ii) No additional questions were raised by the Council
- B. Emergency Management Report (8:18 recording)
 - i) Kathleen provided an emergency management update covering the following topics:
 - 1) Reported on recent emergency management training focused on disaster planning for companion animals and livestock. She explained that emergency response planning has increasingly recognized the importance of accommodating animals during evacuations, as many residents are unwilling to evacuate without their pets or livestock.
 - 2) The County is evaluating designated hazardous materials transportation routes and has encouraged municipalities to consider preferred routing within their jurisdictions.
 - 3) State Stage II fire restrictions were expected to take effect beginning June 26 due to increasing wildfire danger.
 - 4) She noted the active wildfire conditions occurring throughout Utah and encouraged continued vigilance within Lake Point.
 - 5) She reported that wildfire concerns remained high in several areas of the community while acknowledging mitigation work currently underway in the Iron Horse neighborhood through community volunteer efforts.

7. Action/Business Items

- A. Ordinance Conservation Zone Moratorium (16:09 recording)
 - i) Kathleen explained that following discussion at the previous City Council meeting regarding the Conservation Zone, the City Attorney reviewed the City's zoning regulations and determined that the Conservation Zone currently lacked sufficient regulatory standards. She explained that the existing placeholder language did not adequately establish permitted or prohibited uses within the district.
 - ii) The proposed ordinance would establish a temporary 180-day moratorium on development applications within the Conservation Zone while the Planning Commission prepares recommended zoning regulations for Council consideration. The moratorium was presented as a temporary measure intended to preserve the status quo while comprehensive land use standards are developed.
 - iii) Motion - Lori to pass the Conservation Zone Moratorium. Kathleen 2nd
 - 1) Roll Call Vote-[Trimble-Yea] [Ryan-Yea] [Lori-Yea] [Kathleen-Yea] [Pearson-Yea]
 - (a) Motion passed unanimously
- B. Ordinance Temporary Firework restriction due to exceptionally dry conditions and increase wildfire risk constitute a significant threat to the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents and property within Lake Point. (18:04 recording)
 - i) Kathleen and Attorney Springer introduced the proposed ordinance temporarily suspending the issuance of firework permits due to exceptionally dry conditions and elevated wildfire risk throughout Lake Point. She explained that the proposal would temporarily prohibit the issuance of permits for aerial consumer fireworks through the remainder of the authorized fireworks season while allowing the City time to respond to the heightened fire danger.
 - ii) Attorney Jay Springer reviewed the proposed ordinance and explained that Lake Point's existing ordinance already authorizes the Fire Official to deny permits when conditions present an unreasonable fire hazard. He outlined several available options, including:
 - 1) Maintaining the existing ordinance and continuing to evaluate permit applications individually through the Fire Official.
 - 2) Temporarily suspending the acceptance and issuance of permits through adoption of the proposed ordinance.
 - 3) Adopting a public awareness approach encouraging residents not to apply for permits during the current fire conditions.

- iii) Buck Peck reviewed the current State fire restrictions and explained that while statewide restrictions prohibit fireworks on unincorporated lands, incorporated municipalities retain authority to regulate fireworks within their own jurisdictions. He recommended that future revisions to the City's ordinance consider incorporating State fire restriction standards to provide clearer guidance during periods of elevated wildfire danger.
- iv) Council discussed the practical implications of the proposed ordinance, including:
 - 1) The City's responsibility to reduce wildfire risk while balancing individual property rights.
 - 2) The Fire Official's ability to inspect proposed discharge locations and evaluate each application individually.
 - 3) Public concern regarding wildfire conditions throughout the community.
 - 4) The potential effectiveness of permit inspections and public education.
 - 5) Whether temporarily suspending permits would improve public safety or simply discourage residents from seeking permits altogether.
 - 6) The distinction between aerial consumer fireworks requiring permits and lower-risk fireworks currently permitted under City ordinance.
 - 7) Public perception regarding fireworks restrictions during periods of extreme fire danger.
- v) Councilmembers expressed differing viewpoints regarding the proposed ordinance. Some members supported allowing the existing permitting process to continue so the Fire Official could evaluate each request individually based upon site-specific conditions. Others expressed concern that current wildfire conditions justified temporarily suspending permits to better protect residents and surrounding open space.
- vi) Chief Nunn advised the Council that whichever policy direction was selected, enforcement responsibilities would ultimately fall to the Fire District. He noted that existing wildfire conditions created legitimate safety concerns and emphasized the importance of providing clear direction to both residents and emergency responders.
- vii) Motion - Kathleen adopt the ordinance temporarily suspending the issuance of firework permits due to exceptionally dry conditions and increased wildfire risk.
 - 1) Motion failed for lack of a second
- viii) Because the motion failed, the City's existing fireworks ordinance remained in effect, allowing firework permit applications to continue to be processed and evaluated individually under the existing provisions of City Code by the Fire Official.
- C. Public Hearing to consider Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Adoption (48:59 recording)
 - i) Public Hearing agenda items will have a comment period during the public hearing agenda item. Any written comments may be provided to the City Recorder before or during the public hearing comment time frame.
 - ii) Motion - Kathleen to open public hearing to consider the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget adoption. Lori 2nd
 - 1) Motion passed unanimously
 - iii) No public comments
 - iv) Motion - Kathleen to close public hearing to consider the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget adoption. Pearson 2nd
 - 1) Motion passed unanimously
- D. Resolution to consider Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Adoption (50:15 recording)
 - i) Council reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 2027 Budget prior to adoption. Rather than conducting a line-by-line review, the Council focused discussion on proposed budget allocations requiring additional consideration.
 - ii) Discussion topics included:
 - 1) Proposed Council Member stipend/compensation.
 - 2) Budget classifications associated with Council compensation.
 - 3) Emergency Management funding.
 - 4) Building permit inspections were discussed and desired to evaluate how inspections are charged in the future.
 - 5) Departmental budget allocations and proposed adjustments.
 - 6) General operating expenditures and reserve planning.
 - 7) Clarification of several budget categories prior to adoption.

- iii) Council engaged in a lengthy discussion regarding the proposed Council Member stipend that had been included in the draft budget for consideration. Councilmembers discussed the purpose of the proposed allocation, noting it had been included following previous Council direction to revisit the topic during a non-election year.
 - 1) Councilmembers expressed differing viewpoints regarding the proposal. Discussion included whether modest compensation could help offset expenses associated with public service and encourage broader participation in local government while maintaining the City's tradition of volunteer service. Other Councilmembers expressed concern that providing compensation could gradually expand over time or alter public expectations regarding service on the Council.
 - 2) The Council also discussed whether any future compensation should be structured as a stipend rather than salary and acknowledged that, if pursued, additional policy direction would be necessary regarding administration and implementation.
 - 3) The Council discussed renaming the proposed budget line item from "Salary" to Council Meeting Stipend to more accurately reflect its intended purpose. Members also discussed removing associated employee benefit and overtime line items since those costs would not apply to a stipend.
 - 4) Council acknowledged that including the appropriation in the budget would not, by itself, establish or authorize a stipend program. Any future implementation would require separate Council action to establish eligibility, administration, payment procedures, and any applicable policy.
 - iv) The Council continued reviewing the remaining proposed budget adjustments, asking questions and receiving clarification from staff regarding departmental funding, operational expenditures, and other proposed appropriations. Additional modifications were discussed and incorporated into the final proposed budget prior to adoption.
 - v) Motion - Ryan to approve Fiscal Year 2027 Lake Point Budget with all administrative and clerical errors or comments removed as discussed. Lori 2nd
 - 1) Roll Call Vote-[Trimble-Yea] [Ryan-Yea] [Lori-Yea] [Kathleen-Yea] [Pearson-Yea]
 - (a) Motion passed unanimously
- E. Public Hearing to consider Amendment to Fiscal Year 2026 Budget (1:58:24 recording)
- i) Public Hearing agenda items will have a comment period during the public hearing agenda item. Any written comments may be provided to the City Recorder before or during the public hearing comment time frame.
 - ii) Motion - Kathleen to open Public Hearing for Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Amendment. Pearson 2nd
 - 1) Motion passed unanimously
 - iii) Motion - Kathleen to close Public Hearing for Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Amendment. Pearson 2nd
 - 1) Motion passed unanimously
- F. Resolution to consider Amendment to Fiscal Year 2026 Budget (1:59:59 recording)
- i) Council reviewed the proposed amendments to the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget prior to adoption. Staff explained that numerous adjustments were necessary to ensure the budget accurately reflected the City's actual revenues and expenditures before closing the fiscal year. Rather than conducting a detailed review of every accounting adjustment, the Council focused on budget categories requiring revision.
 - ii) Budget amendment discussion included:
 - 1) Business license revenues.
 - 2) Alcohol license revenues.
 - 3) Home-based business license revenues.
 - 4) Temporary business and solicitor license revenue classifications.
 - 5) Building permit revenues.
 - 6) Departmental operating budget adjustments.
 - 7) Emergency services
 - 8) Grant expenses

- 9) Revenues and Capital Projects
 - 10) Year-end revenue projections.
 - 11) Miscellaneous accounting corrections and budget reallocations necessary to reconcile Fiscal Year 2026 actual revenues and expenditures.
 - iii) Finance Committee members reported they had continued reviewing actual revenue collections and departmental expenditures prior to the meeting and presented updated recommendations reflecting the most current financial information available.
 - iv) Staff explained that many of the proposed amendments consisted of routine year-end accounting adjustments necessary to align budget appropriations with actual expenditures and revenues. Council reviewed the proposed revisions, asked clarifying questions, and incorporated agreed-upon adjustments into the amended Fiscal Year 2026 Budget prior to adoption.
 - v) Motion - Lori to approve the Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 as amended and discussed in this meeting with the ability for staff the summary page, grammar adjustments and remove notes. Trimble 2nd
 - 1) Roll Call Vote-[Trimble-Yea] [Ryan-Yea] [Lori-Yea] [Kathleen-Yea] [Pearson-Yea]
 - (a) Motion passed unanimously
- 8. Council Updates (3:22:30 recording)**
- A. Committee Updates
 - i) Ryan reported that work continued on the City's enforcement ordinance. He stated that he and Trimble were meeting regularly with the City Attorney to continue drafting and refining the ordinance.
 - ii) City Recorder Olson reminded the Council that the Planning Commission would hold a public hearing on July 13 regarding the proposed wireless telecommunications ordinance and site plan application.
 - B. Kirk Pearson
 - i) Pearson discussed the potential impacts of Public Infrastructure Districts (PIDs) and the authority of the Military Installation Development Authority (MIDA). He expressed concern regarding the financial burden PIDs can place on future homeowners when additional assessments are not fully understood during the home-buying process.
 - 1) Councilmembers discussed whether Lake Point should consider adopting regulations addressing PIDs before a proposal is received. Pearson agreed to gather additional information and provide examples for future Council consideration.
 - C. Lori Chigbrow
 - i) Chigbrow commented on recent media coverage regarding Public Infrastructure Districts and noted concerns that many homebuyers may not fully understand the long-term financial obligations associated with additional property assessments.
 - D. Kathleen VonHatten (3:27:00 recording)
 - i) Kathleen reminded Councilmembers to RSVP for the upcoming Tooele County elected officials' summit and explained that the event would include training and discussion with state officials.
 - ii) She encouraged residents to view the completed America 250 mural and noted the City's parade float would participate in upcoming Independence Day parades.
 - iii) Council Chair VonHatten also requested Council's concurrence to utilize the newly budgeted Community Events account for parade candy and related America 250 community event expenses beginning July 1.
 - iv) She provided an update on Blue Moon Drive, explaining that the developer was completing a geotechnical study after roadway cracking was discovered during construction. She noted that all costs associated with the study and any corrective work would be the responsibility of the developer.
 - v) She informed the Council of a potential rural health grant opportunity through UDOT and requested project suggestions prior to the July 3 submission deadline. Council briefly

discussed potential trail, sidewalk, bicycle, and accessibility projects that may qualify for future funding.

- vi) Kathleen announced the America250 Lake Point celebration would be held July 6. A community potluck would begin at 6:00 p.m. on a first-come, first-served basis, followed by the community fireworks show that evening.

- E. Kirk Trimble
 - i) No updates
- F. Ryan Zumwalt
 - i) No iupdates

9. Public Comment (3:46:30 recording)

- A. Motion – Kathleen to open public comment. Lori 2nd
 - i) Motion passed unanimously
- B. No public comment
- C. Motion - Kathleen to close public comment. Lori 2nd
 - i) Motion passed unanimously

10. Closed Session- if needed for purposes listed under Utah Code 52-4-205

- A. Not needed

11. Adjournment - 9:39 pm

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PASSED AND APPROVED by the Council this 8th day of July, 2026


Chair

ATTEST:


Jamie Olson, City Recorder